

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

FRIDAY, 14TH FEBRUARY, 1913.

R. BULLEN NEWTON, F.G.S., President, in the Chair.

Mr. H. C. Fulton and Mr. A. W. Oke, LL.M., F.L.S., were appointed scrutineers.

The Secretary announced that at the last Ordinary Meeting, through an oversight on his part, no Auditors had been appointed, and that in the interval he had consulted the members of the Council, who decided that the two members who acted in that capacity the previous year, viz. Dr. Henry Woodward, F.R.S., and Mr. G. C. Robson, B.A., should again be asked to officiate, and that the Annual Meeting should be asked to confirm this course. This was carried unanimously.

The following report was read :—

“Your Council, in presenting their twentieth Annual Report, find it a source of great satisfaction to be able to refer to the useful—and in some cases voluminous—papers published through the usual channel of the Society’s ‘Proceedings’, details of which will be found below.

“It is with deep regret that they have to record the loss by death of two prominent members, the Rev. R. Ashington Bullen and Dr. J. C. Cox, and also of two others, Mr. D. D. Baldwin and Mons. A. Bonnet, while resignation and other causes are responsible for the removal from the roll of five more names.

“During the year eleven new members have been elected, so that the membership of the Society on December 31st, 1912, stood as follows :—

Ordinary members	71
Corresponding members	91
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Total	162

“The financial condition of the Society is essentially the same as last year. The current account shows a balance of £4 10s. 11d. The special fund has still £12 7s. standing to its credit, while the Society still holds the sum of £50 invested in Metropolitan 2½ per cent stock. For its improved financial condition the Society is indebted to some members who made generous contributions to its funds.

“During the year 1912 three parts of the ‘Proceedings’ have been published as usual, forming the first half of Vol. X. They comprise 261 pages, 13 plates, and 36 text-figures.

“The following gentlemen have very kindly contributed towards the cost of illustrations or have supplied drawings or photographs for the plates or text-figures: Dr. R. Arnold, H. H. Bloomer, H. Hannibal, J. C. Melvill, R. B. Newton, H. B. Preston, M. M. Schepman, E. A. Smith, G. B. Sowerby, A. W. Stelfox, and E. W. Vredenburg. Without such liberal help it would not be possible so fully to illustrate the ‘Proceedings’.

"The thanks of the Society are especially due to the Council of the Linnean Society, through whose kindness it has been permitted, as in former years, to hold its meetings in Burlington House."

On the motion of Mr. H. C. Fulton, seconded by Mr. A. W. Oke, LL.M., F.L.S., the above was adopted as the Annual Report of the Society.

The following were elected as Officers and Council for 1913 :—

President.—Rev. A. H. Cooke, M.A., F.Z.S.

Vice-Presidents.—G. C. Crick, F.G.S.; R. Bullen Newton, F.G.S.; H. B. Preston, F.Z.S.; E. R. Sykes, B.A., F.L.S.

Treasurer.—J. H. Ponsonby, F.Z.S., 15 Chesham Place, London, S.W.

Secretary.—G. K. Gude, F.Z.S., 45 West Hill Road, Wandsworth, London, S.W.

Editor.—E. A. Smith, I.S.O., 22 Heathfield Road, Acton, London, W.

Other Members of Council.—Rev. E. W. Bowell, M.A.; C. Oldham; G. C. Robson, B.A.; H. O. N. Shaw, F.Z.S.; J. R. Le B. Tomlin, M.A., F.E.S.

On the motion of Mr. A. S. Kennard, F.G.S., seconded by Mr. J. E. Cooper, a vote of thanks was passed to the Retiring Officers and Members of the Council and to the Auditors and Scrutineers.

ORDINARY MEETING.

FRIDAY, 14TH FEBRUARY, 1913.

The Rev. A. H. COOKE, M.A., F.Z.S., President, in the Chair.

The following specimens were exhibited :—

By the Rev. A. H. Cooke, M.A., F.Z.S.: A series of *Purpura lapillus* (Linn.), from many localities in Great Britain, France, the Faroe Islands, Norway, and Iceland; and in drawing attention to the wide range of variation shown by this species he made some remarks upon the possible causes of variation in certain cases.

By Mr. J. E. Cooper: Specimens of *P. lapillus* (Linn.), including a very large form from crab-pots, Swanage; a very small form from exposed rocks, Lynmouth; imbricated examples from oyster-beds, Burnham-on-Crouch; and fossil forms from the Red Crag, Norwich; also Dr. Gwyn Jeffreys' copy of Wood's *Index Testaceologicus*, with his book-plate and autograph.

By Mr. L. St. G. Byrne, M.Sc.: A fine series of *Cypræa Mauritiana*, from the Andaman Islands.

By Mr. G. B. Sowerby, F.L.S.: A specimen of *Edentellina typica*, Gatliff & Gabriel, upon which a discussion arose as to whether it is a Lamellibranch or a Tectibranch; also a fine group of *Tenagodus australis* from Victoria, Australia.

By Mr. E. A. Smith, I.S.O.: Some of the types of Mollusca described by Pennant in his *Zoology*, 1777, together with other specimens figured in the same work, all of which had recently been presented to the National Collection by Lord Denbigh.